(b) whether the Ministry of Rural Development is taking any steps to formulate this housing policy at the earliest; and

(c) the total amount of funds required for implementation of this policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Road Construction under PMGSY

†2859. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a plan to connect all villages in the country with a population of 1000 and hilly and tribal villages with a population of 500 with all weather connection road through "Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana" under "Bharat Nirman" Plan is being implemented;

(b) whether in order to cover a total of 66,802 settlements under this plan, a plan for construction of 1,46,885 K.m. long rural roads and upgradation of 1,94, 130 K.m. long rural roads has been included; and

(c) if so, the details of progress made so far, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Under Bharat Nirman the target is to connect all the habitations having a population of 1000 and above (500 and above in hilly and tribal areas) with an all weather road by 2009. During this period, 66,802 eligible habitations will be provided all-weather connectivity by constructing 1,46,185 kms. of new rural roads. 1,94,130 kms of existing rural roads will also be upgraded to provide full farm-to-market connectivity.

(c) In accordance with the information provided by the State, the State-wise progress made so far is given in the annexed statement.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

State-wise details of progress made under Bharat Nirman

Sl. No.	State	New Connectivity (Kms)	Upgradation (Kms)	Habitations (Nos.)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	758.00	1020.68	14
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	86.90	0.00	0
3.	Assam	822.28	0.00	555
4.	Bihar	594.50	194.90	0
5.	Chhattisgarh	2427.22	33.72	681
6.	Goa	1.80	0.00	2
7.	Gujarat	632.05	33.10	219
8.	Haryana	42.80	278.90	0
9.	Himachal Pradesh	1443.68	610.73	207
10.	Jammu and Kashmir	20.80	4.40	3
11.	Jharkhand	491.60	27.80	101
12.	Karnataka	59.60	893.61	1
13.	Kerala	46.50	0.00	6
14.	Madhya Pradesh	3700.54	0.00	1208
15.	Maharashtra	264.60	107.90	46
16.	Manipur	116.31	195.90	40
17.	Meghalaya	75.10	13.00	13
18.	Mizoram	174.40	0.00	7
19.	Nagaland	317.30	38.50	7
20.	Orissa	1909.20	320.00	492
21.	Punjab	96.90	0.00	7
22.	Rajasthan	3385.27	1748.90	1016
23.	Sikkim	182.80	26.20	37
24.	Tamil Nadu	501.00	0.00	46
25.	Tripura	53.05	0.00	36
26.	Uttar Pradesh	2437.80	250.10	1048
27.	Uttaranchal	130.64	5.30	23
28.	West Bengal	1629.59	0.00	1224
	TOTAL:	22402.23	5803.64	7039